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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	8	Minus	** = 20	* 0 x	\$50(25)	= \$0
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 25, 2006, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on October 25, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins
on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.